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In re application: **Dee**

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Serial No.: 09/896,162

Filed: June 29, 2001

For: Apparatus and Method of Making a Reduced Sensitivity Spin Valve Sensor Apparatus in which a Flux Carrying Capacity is Increased Group Art Unit: 2653

Examiner: Castro, Angel A.

Attorney Docket No.: 2001-020-TAP

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Sir:

No fees are believed to be required. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-4545. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to Deposit Account No. 19-4545.

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: